



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Osamu TANITSU et al.

Group Art Unit: 2851

Application No.: 09/994,861

Examiner: Alan A. Mathews

Filed: November 28, 2001

Docket No.: 111221

For: ILLUMINATION OPTICAL APPARATUS AND EXPOSURE APPARATUS  
PROVIDED WITH ILLUMINATION OPTICAL APPARATUS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the August 20, 2003 Restriction to Election of Species, please consider the following Amendments:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims;

**Remarks.**